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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-202, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

( ) The authorization to establish health plans provided in this section shall not preclude or prohibit the local government authority or local education authority from adopting benefits or making available and contributing to the cost of benefits that are treated as excepted benefits that are deemed not to be a group health plan when established in accordance with the appropriate federal statutes or regulations that define the term "group health plan".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-302, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

() The authorization to establish health plans provided in this section shall not preclude or prohibit the local government authority or local education authority from adopting benefits or making available and contributing to the cost of benefits that are treated as excepted benefits that are deemed not to be a group health plan when established in accordance with the appropriate federal statutes or regulations that define the term "group health plan".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-702, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

() The authorization to establish health plans provided in this section shall not preclude or prohibit the local government authority or local education authority from adopting benefits or making available and contributing to the cost of benefits that are

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SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application of any provision of this act to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end, the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.